

DETAILED ACTION

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it **MUST** be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with David Safran on April 3, 2009.

RE claim 31, line 8 after "the bioacoustic signals; and "add/insert "communicating an ambient noise through an opening in the housing and to the rear side of the transducer element and receiving ambient noise at the front side of the transducer element when the housing establishes intimate coupling with the body part surface during use; and thereby reducing ambient noise and ".

PG-21-09 RE claim 43, line ¹¹~~10~~, after "ambient noise coupled to" add/insert "an opening of the housing and".

Allowable Subject Matter

2. Claims 31-36; 43-44; 46, 48-50 are allowed.